

**YOSHII et al**  
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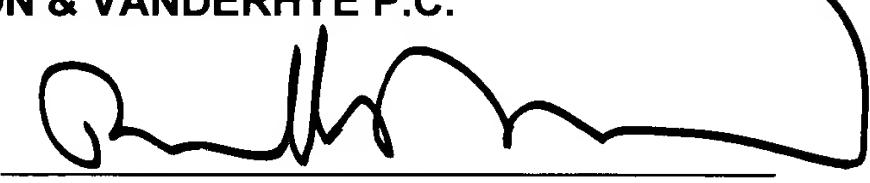
**REMARKS**

By way of the amendment instructions above, claims 8-15, 22-27, 34-39 and 45-50 are cancelled thereby leaving only allowed claims 1-7, 16-21, 28-33 and 40-44 pending herein. Cancellation of claims 8-15, 22-27, 34-39 and 45-50 have been effected without prejudice to the applicants' rights to file a divisional application pursuant to 35 USC §121.

Early receipt of the Official Allowance Notice is solicited. However, should any small matters remain outstanding, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the applicants' undersigned attorney so that the same may be resolved without the need for an additional action and reply.

Respectfully submitted,

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